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### 1. INDOCHINA

REV CHARLEBOIS, FORMER DIRECTOR CRS IN SVN, DENIES SUPPLIES FOR REFUGEES MISHANDLED TO SUPPORT US MIL EFFORT; ADDS NEVER ISSUED/SHARED REPORTS W/MILITARY. COMMENTS ALLEGATIONS IN "NATIONAL CATHOLIC REPORTER" TAKEN OUT OF CONTEXT (AP,WP,SUN). BRIGGS (NYT) NOTES RC PAPER RENEWS CHARGES COLLUSION BETW CRS/US MIL DURING VN WAR, BUT INVESTIGATION BEHIND STORY RAISES REPORTS TO "NEW LEVEL OF SERIOUSNESS." NOTES ALLEGATIONS THAT CRS WENT BEYOND HUMANITARIAN MAN-DATE BY AIDING US MIL IN HERDING PEASANTS INTO REFUGEE CAMPS, SUPPLYING FOOD TO PRISONS, REIMBURSING VN MIL FORCES, PROVIDING INTELL DATA TO MIL. BRIGGS QUOTES CHARLEBOIS THAT PURPOSE WAS TO SERVE POOR. SAYS REPORTS MIL/CRS UNCLASSIFIED

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ALLIANCES HAVE FLOATED AROUND FOR YRS.

HENDRIX (LAT 12/12) DOES ROUND-UP ARTICLE ON ANGUISH MIA FAMILIES. INTERVIEWS SEVERAL, DESCRIBES LIFE OF "NOT

KNOWING."

2. PHILIPPINES

PHILS EXPECTS 90 MILLION DOL TRADE SURPLUS W/US. FAVORABLE BALANCE RESULT OF RECOVERY US ECONOMY/LIBERAL US TRADE POLICIES/ATTRACTIVENESS PHIL EXPORTS (UPI, JOC).

3. KOREA

WP REPORTS PROSECUTION ASKS FOR HEAVIER PENALITIES IN APPEALS BY MYONGDONG DEFENDANTS.

WSJ REPORTS FROM SINGAPORE THAT ROK DEVELOPMENT BANK FINDS COOL RECEPTION TO ITS FIRST OFFERING OF INTERNATIONAL BONDS. OTHER DEVELOPING NATIONS WATCHING SALE CLOSELY SINCE THIS IS A RARE EFFORT IN PUBLIC MARKET PLACE TO RAISE CAPITAL. CONCERN OVER FUTURE US POLICY BELIEVED TO BE A FACTOR IN CHILLY INITIAL RECEPTION.

LAT (12/12) CARRIES LENGTHY FRONT PAGE, LEAD POSITION ARTICLE ON ALLEGED ROKG INTIMIDATION OF KOREANS LIVING IN US PARTICULARLY CALIFORNIA. ARTICLE BASED ON INTERVIEWS WITH LEE JAI HYUN, (FORMER PAO), KIM WOON HA (PUBLISHER) AND REV. SONG SUN KEUN WHO HOSTED KIM DAE JUNG'S LAST VISIT TO US. ARTICLE PROVIDES LITTLE NOT ALREADY IN PRINT. SAYS KOREAN POPULATION IN US, NOW ESTIMATED AT MORE THAN 273,000 WITH ANNUAL IMMIGRATION AT ABOUT 30,000 IN RECENT YEARS. FIRM EVIDENCE OF INTIMIDATION DIFFICULT TO FIND SINCE FEAR OF REPRISALS GREAT.

STRAIGHT NEWS ACCOUNTS OF CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY INTO ALLEGED ROKG BRIBERY CARRIED PROMINENTLY IN LAT (12/10 AND 12/13).

JAMESON IN LAT (12/12) DOES LONG STORY ON KOREAN LABOR EXPORTS PARTICULARLY TO MEAST. ROK CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS UNCLASSIFIED

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NOW TOTAL MORE THAN THREE BILLION DOLLARS WITH MORE THAN TWO BILLION IN FIRST TEN MONTHS OF THIS YEAR. ROK COULD BECOME FIRST OIL IMPORTER TO BALANCE ITS BOOKS WITH ME. ROKG BACKS LABOR EXPORT BY SUBSIDIES AND THREAT OF FINES FOR FAULTY WORK. PROFIT MARGIN ABOUT 8 WHICH CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN THAT AVAILABLE WITHIN ROKG BUT FOREX AND FRIENDSHIP VITAL. ROK BUSINESSMEN SAY DOMESTIC CONSTRUCTION BOOM OVER.- AFTER ME THEY LOOK TO SAMERICA AND AFRICA.

YATES (CHITRIB) REPORTS FROM SEOUL ON POP TUNES WHICH HAVE BEEN BANNED BECAUSE OF POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND THEREFORE CONSIDERED "DECADENT" BY ROKG. QUOTES POLICE INSPEC-

TOR AS SAYING SOME AMERICAN MUSIC GLORIFIES COMMUNISM AND

IMMORALITY. KOREAN CHILDREN WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO GROW UP "UNRULY, UNGRATEFUL AND DISRESPECTFUL" AS DO AMERICAN KIDS. DESCRIBES CRACKDOWN ON LONG HAIR AND POT.

YATES ALSO FILES SEPARATE ITEM ON BOOM IN SALE OF "OLD" KOREAN CHESTS.

NYT REPORTS SEN MANSFIELD AS CALLING FOR WITHDRAWAL OF NUKES FROM ROK AND REDUCTION OF FORCES THERE, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH JAPAN.

#### 4. JAPAN

UPI (CHITRIB) REPORTS LDP DECIDED MONDAY HOLD CAUCUS 12/23 RATHER THAN CONVENTION TO SELECT MIKI'S SUCCESSOR. PARTY SOURCES SAY MOST SENIOR PARTY MEMBERS SUPPORT FUKUDA FOR PARTY PRESIDENT/PM, THO FUKUDA FACES OPPOSITION SOME YOUNG PARTY MEMBERS WHO DEMAND RESIGNATIONS ALL LDP LEADERS THEY CLAIM RESPONSIBLE FOR ELECTION SETBACK (WSTAR 12/13).

NYT'S MALCOLM REPORTS JAPANESE CONCERNED OVER FISHING TALKS W/US. GOJ FISHERIES AGNCY SPOKESMAN SAYS NEGOTIATES MARK "TURNING POINT" FOR CONCEPT INT'L FISHING, FEARS OCEANS BECOMING "SOMEONE'S PRIVATE PROPERTY."

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HIGH LEGAL COSTS PROMPT ITC SUSPEND PROBE INTO ALLEGEDLY UNFAIR PRACTICES BY JAPANESE TV EXPORTS. COMMISSION WILL CONCENTRATE ON IMPORT QUOTA REQUEST, IN WHICH COSTS MUCH LOWER (LAWRENCE, JOC).

SOME 300,000 TONS GOODS DESTINED FOR CUBA PILE UP AT JAPANESE PORTS/COST EXPORTERS STORAGE FEES DUE CUBA'S DELAY IN CHARTERING FREIGHTERS (UPI, JOC).

JAPAN'S NOVEMBER EXPORTS TO W EUR SKYROCKETED BY 92.2 PCT OVER SAME PERIOD LAST YEAR (CULLISON, JOC).

SURVEY CONDUCTED BY JAPAN PETROLEUM FEDERATION PREDICTS US DEPENDENCY ON FON OIL WILL INCREASE 45-50 PCT IN 1985 FROM PRESENT 37 PCT LEVEL (UPI, JOC).

JAPANESE ECON PLANNING AGNCY EXPECTS 5.6 PCT REAL GROWTH RATE IN FY'76 (CULLISON).

JOINT STRUGGLE CMTE MONDAY SET 15 PCT MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE AS GOAL WHEN ORGANIZED JAPANESE LABOR BEGINS CAMPAIGN FOR WAGE HIKES NEXT SPRING (CULLISON).

SLOW ECONOMY EVOKE PESSIMISTIC OUTLOOK FROM JAPAN'S MARINE INSURERS. PREMIUMS RISING ONLY GRADUALLY (CULLISON).

SHARON PATER, OF AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE CO, DOES LENGTHY ITEM ON FIRM'S CONTRIBUTION TO JAPANESE ECONOMY (JOC).

WHITCOMB (CSM) REPORTS JAPANESE TOURISTS DOMINATED EVERY EUR COUNTRY, EXCEPT ITALY, IN 1975.

#### 5. INDONESIA

INDONESIAN OIL MINISTER, IN QATAR FOR OPEC MTG, SAYS HIS COUNTRY WOULD SUPPORT MODERATE, 10 PCT OIL PRICE INCREASE IN NEW YEAR (REUTER, PHINQ).

#### 6. AUSTRALIA

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WITH NO FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT, EXCHANGE RATE AUSTRALIAN DOL MOVED BACK ANOTHER PERCENTAGE POINT MONDAY, BRINGING REVALUATION TO 14.5 PCT (JOC).

MORRIS (CSM SYDNEY) DOES TRAVEL PIECE ON AUSTRALIA AS INCREASINGLY POPULAR RESORT CRUISE DESTINATION.

#### 7. MICRONESIA

SENATE SELECT INTELL CMTE TO OPEN INQUIRY INTO REPORTS CIA BUGGED MICRONESIAN NEGOTIATORS IN TALKS W/US ON TRUST TERRITORY'S STATUS. WH/DOS CONTINUE DECLINE COMMENT ON ALLEGATIONS (WOODWARD, WP).

#### 8. PAPUA NEW GUINEA

STAYTE (REUTER LAT 12/10) REPORTS SEPIK RIVER BASIN PRIMITIVE ART HAS BEGUN DIE UNDER ECON PRESSURE DUE SLOWDOWN IN TOURISM/GOV'T ATTEMPT HALT WHAT BELIEVED WAS EXPLOITATION TRADITIONAL CULTURE.

#### 9. MONGOLIA

USSR, E BLOC POUR IN MONEY/EQUIPMENT/TECHNICIANS IN EFFORT MODERNIZE INDUSTRY/AGRICULTURE, TURN ANCIENT LAND INTO MODERN STATE. JOB GOING SLOWLY. STRATEGIC LOCATION GIVES MONGOLIA "BARGAINING CHIP" FOR CONTINUED HELP (AP, LAT 12/12).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

#### 10. KOREA

LAT REPRINTS CHITRIB CARTOON SHOWING CONGRESSMAN ACCEPTING MONEY FROM ORIENTAL SAYING: "YOU'RE CHINESE? OH, THAT'S DIFFERENT' I THOUGHT YOU WERE KOREAN;"

SFCHRONICLE DOUBTS EFFECTIVENESS OF ANY HOUSE ETHICS COMMITTEE INVESTIGATION OF KOREAN BRIBERY. WAS THE ISSUE LESS SERIOUS, IT WOULD BE LAUGHABLE.  
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BALT SUN COMMENTS THAT A SELECT COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ROKG BRIBERY APPEARS CALLED FOR, IN VIEW OF DISMAL RECORD OF ETHICS COMMITTEE. CHARGES ARE SERIOUS. IF SELECT COMMITTEE CONCLUDES CHARGES FALSE, PUBLIC WILL BE RE-ASSURED. THIS NOT LIKELY TO BE CASE IF ETHICS COMMITTEE CONDUCTS PROBE.

PHINQ COMMENTS THAT ROKG CASE DEMANDS MOST CAREFUL INVESTIGATION. COORDINATION BETWEEN JUSTICE AND CONGRESS CAN AVOID CONFLICTS. "CONGRESS'S RESPONSIBILITY...IS TO EXAMINE THE BROAD IMPLICATIONS OF PUBLIC POLICY, NOT TO PUT UP AFACADE OF INTERNAL DISCIPLINE.." STRONGLY SUPPORTS CONDUCT OF PROBE BY BODY, WHETHER JUDICIAL OR FOREIGN POLICY, WHICH IS EXPERIENCED AND RESPONSIBLE. IF HOUSE CAN'T DO THE JOB PERHAPS SENATE SHOULD.

HUMORIST ARTHUR HOPPE (SF 12/7) SAYS CITIZENS ARE CALLING FOR TOTAL EMBARGO ON SALE OF US CONGRESSMEN TO FOREIGN NATIONS.

#### 11. PHILIPPINES

LAT (12/10) DEVOTES FULL COLUMN AND A HALF TO FOUR LETTERS TO EDITOR ON PHILS STIMULATED BY RECENT GEORGE MACARTHUR REPORT AND RETORT BY PHIL CON-GEN LAVINA. LETTERS THREE TO ONE ANTI GOP.

CSM'S TONGE REPORTS ON SEA GYPSIES FROM ZAMBOANGA. CITES GREATER SECURITY IN AREA SINCE MARTIAL LAW. SAYS TOURISM DEFINITELY HAS BENEFITED.

#### 12. CHINA

LESLIE (LAT 12/10) REVIEWS CHANGES IN REPUTATION MAO'S RELATIVES; OPINES THESE RISE/FALL TO SUIT PURPOSES NEW PRC LEADERS. REPORTS (LAT 12/12) ANALYSTS DISAGREE HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL EVENTUALLY BE AFFECTED BY PURGES. BELIEVES PURGES NOT YET PLAYED OUT, THO BROADCASTS USUALLY MAKE ACCUSATIONS AGAINST NO MORE THAN FEW PEOPLE IN AFFECTED PROVS.  
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IN "SAYS WHO" STRIP (SUN) CHINESE FIGURE INTRODUCES SELF AS EITHER HON 1ST DEP CHMN OF PEOPLE'S PARTY, OR DANGEROUS TRAITOR/MENACE TO STATE; EXPLAINS HASN'T SEEN TODAY'S DAILY WALL POSTER.

LESLIE (LAT 12/12) REVIEWS PLACE TACHAI PRODUCTION BRIGADE IN AGRIC PUSH. NOTES ANOTHER TACHAI CONF TO BE HELD TO FOCUS ON MODERATES' GOAL OF INCREASING PRODUCTION. OPINES TACHAI MAY BE MODEL PARTLY BECAUSE NOT DIVIDED INTO TEAMS, WHICH ARE COSTLY BUREAUCRATIC LAYER/CLOSER TO PRIVATE LAND OWNERSHIP. NOTES TACHAI SEEMS ACCEPTED AS MODEL TO BE EMULATED. WU (SUN) SEES 2ND NATL CONF TO LEARN FROM TACHAI, THAT OPENED OVER WKEND, AS MTG TO STRENGTHEN AMBITIOUS RURAL ECON SCHEMES AMID REPORTS GOOD HARVEST. SEES CONF AS MOST IMPORTANT POL/ECON GATHERING SINCE HUA TOOK OVER. SAYS NEED TO CALL 2ND CONF ONLY 15 MOS AFTER 1ST STEMMED FROM ALLEGED INTERFERENCE BY "GANG OF FOUR" IN IMPLEMENTATION PLANS MADE LAST YR. QUOTES "PEOPLE'S DAILY" THAT CONF PROPOSED TO ACCELERATE PACE WHOLE NATL ECONOMY. STATES CLEAR MTG TO CELEBRATE POL VICTORY HUA OVER "GANG OF FOUR," TOUCH OFF "PEOPLE'S WAR" IN RURAL AREAS TO REPUDIATE "FOUR."

ISAACS (SUN) SAYS CHINAT OFFICIALS ENCOURAGED BY CARTER STATEMENTS, WHAT THEY BELIEVE IN SHIFT IN US PUBLIC OPINION TO WHAT APPEARS BE LESS HAST RECOGNIZE PRC. STATES OFFICIALS NOW THINK HAVE GAINED BREATHING SPACE IN CAMPAIGN PRESERVE DIPL/MIL TIES W/US. REVIEWS TAIWAN'S POSITION CONCERNING MAINLAND, RELS W/US. MENTIONS NUMEROUS CONGRESSMEN/AIDES GIVEN JUNKETS TO TAIWAN FINANCED BY "PRIVATE" FOUNDATION.

#### 13. JAPAN

SF CHRON (12/7) STATES JAPANESE PUBLIC HAS CRITICIZED ITS LEADERS "FAR MORE SEVERELY" FOR TAKING LOCKHEED MONEY THAN US HAS CRITICIZED LOCKHEED "FOR PASSING IT OUT." OPINES AMERICAN NEEDS RELIABLE/STRONGLY GOVERNED/DEMOCRATIC JAPAN, AND IS "SHAMEFUL" US BUSINESSMEN, "INTENT ON MAKING THEIR BUCK," BROUGHT SYSTEM TO POL CRISIS.

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SUN BELIEVES THERE IS "BETTER WAY" THAN COUNTLESS BILATERAL NEGOTS TO "REARRANGE WORLD FISHING PRACTICES," BUT SAYS AT LEAST FISHING INDUSTRIES "SAVED FROM EXTINCTION" AT HANDS "SUPER-EQUIPPED" JAPAN/RUSSIA AND THEIR "METHODICAL SCOPING OF OCEAN PROTEIN."

#### 14. SINGAPORE

MCARTHUR (LAT) REPORTS LEE KUAN YEW JUST CALLED SNAP ELEC-

TION DEC 23 THAT CERTAIN TO WIN--HONESTLY, W/"EMBARRASSING-LY" LARGE MAJORITY. REVIEWS LEE'S RULE THAT MADE SINGAPORE SHOWPIECE BASTION OF CAPITALISM. QUOTES LEE'S RATIONALE FOR HARD CRACKDOWN ON COMMUNISTS/AVOIDABLE SQUABBLES/POL PRISONERS, THAT SINGAPORE SMALL PLACE, CANNOT AFFORD MIS-TAKES BIGGER COUNTRY COULD ABSORB. MENTIONS LEE MOVES THAT TURN OFF SUPPORTERS, MAKE OPPOSITION "PURPLE," BUT SATISFY VOTERS WHO KNOW LEE, DESPITE FAILINGS, CAN KEEP WAGES RISING/PUBLIC HOUSING GOING UP/BIRTH RATE DOWN.

#### 15. PACIFIC ISLANDS

WP WONDERS WHAT KIND SHABBY GOVT THAT WOULD OPEN NEGOTS W/MICRONESIA, THEN BUG THEM FOR YRS. NOTES CIA CONSIDERED BUGS NECESSARY; DOS FOUND INFO USEFUL; JUSTICE COULDN'T FIND LEGAL GROUND TO OBJECT. SEES FORD'S MICRONESIAN POLICY AS TOTALLY DISCREDITED. WONDERS WHO NEXT ADMIN WILL CONVINCE ISLANDERS THAT NEGOTIATING IN GOOD FAITH, NOT JUST CONSPIRING TO KEEP AREA SAFE FOR US BASES. ADDRESSES QUESTIONS TO CIA ON BUGGING POLICY, WHETHER OPN SHOULD HAVE PASSED THRU CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW.

#### 16. GENERAL

BABCOCK (WP) SAYS STAFF DIR HOUSE REPUBLICAN STUDY CMTE REGULARLY ASSISTED SK/TAIWAN/FORMER GVN EMBS IN LOBBYING CONGRESS. QUOTES DOS' JENKINS THAT "SURPRISED/TROUBLED" BY EXTENT ACTIVITIES, BUT NOT ILLEGAL. SAYS STAFF DIR FEULNER REFERRED TO NEED COUNTER EFFORTS REDUCE COMMITMENTS TO ALLIES LIKE SK/TAIWAN. MENTIONS FREE TRIPS TO SK/TAIWAN FOR CONGRESSMEN PAID FOR BY KOREA-US ECON COUNCIL/PACIFIC UNCLASSIFIED

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CULTURAL FOUNDATION. PRINTS EXCERPTS FROM FEULNER MEMOS ILLUSTRATING AID GIVEN EMBS.

ANDERSON/WHITTEN (WP) SAY EVANGELICAL CHRISTIAN GROUP WILL ATTEMPT TURN TABLES ON FOREIGN SECRET POLICY IN US BY IDENTIFYING/FOLLOWING THEM, POSSIBLY W/PLACARDS. GROUP, CALLED "LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES," PLANS CONSTRUCT SCAFFOLD IN FRONT WH, POSE HOODED MAN AS PROTEST US AID TO TORTURE-TOLERATING COUNTRIES AS SK/INDONESIA/OTHERS.

SEN MANSFIELD IN REPORT ON RECENT ASIAN TRIP CALLS FOR OVER-HAUL US POLICY TOWARD INDOCHINA THAT HAS SOMETHING IN IT OF THE "OSTRICH COMPLEX." ALSO CALLS FOR NEW ADMIN REVIEW SEATO PACT; APPLAUDS US WITHDRAWAL FROM THAILAND; ADDS US FOOD AID TO INDONESIA HAS PERMITTED GOI AVOID FACING UP TO INTERNAL PROBLEMS. EXPRESSES OPTIMISM THAT CARTER ADMIN WOULD WORK OUT NEW AGRMNT W/PHILS FOR CONTINUED USE SUBIC/CLARK (REUTER, SUN).

ROCHE (WSTAR 12/13) FINDS "ALMOST PATHETIC" QUALITY IN  
HAK'S "PHILIPPINE CAPER." OPINES SECSTATE IS "VIRTUOSO CON  
MAN" WHO CARRIED ON US FOPOLICY "WITH MIRRORS." GUESSES  
ANY DISCUSSION SHANGHAI COMMUNIQUE BETW TAIWAN/PRC WOULD  
LEAD TO VIGOROUS WORDS ON "INSCRUTABLE AMERICANS." REVIEWS  
HAK'S ATTEMPT AT BREAKTHROUGH ON PHIL NEGOTS; CONCLUDES  
ROMULO HAS NO CLOUT W/MARCOS, WHO WILL DEAL W/"NEW LAND-  
LORD, NOT THE OUTGOING TENANTS." KISSINGER

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